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The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. WEBSTER).

### DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,  
May 31, 2012.

I hereby appoint the Honorable DANIEL WEBSTER to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

JOHN A. BOEHNER,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### MORNING-HOUR DEBATE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the order of the House of January 17, 2012, the Chair will now recognize Members from lists submitted by the majority and minority leaders for morning-hour debate.

The Chair will alternate recognition between the parties, with each party limited to 1 hour and each Member other than the majority and minority leaders and the minority whip limited to 5 minutes each, but in no event shall debate continue beyond 11:50 a.m.

### HILL 303, KOREA—AUGUST 17, 1950

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Texas (Mr. POE) for 5 minutes.

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, when the world is in trouble, when peoples throughout history are in need of help because of oppression, and they need freedom and liberty, those nations always call 911.

And who answers on the other end of that call? Throughout the history of this great Nation, America answers. We always answer the call when somebody is in trouble and they need help. And such an occurrence occurred in 1950.

In 1950, World War II was over with. The United States had downsized its military. Basically, we were unprepared for another war. But war picks its own opportunities.

What occurred in 1950 was that in the Korean Peninsula, North Korea, with the aid of the Chinese, invaded our ally South Korea. They went into the heartland of South Korea and, of course, South Korea called 911.

America answered. They called it a U.N. operation, but history shows that U.N. operations basically are American operations, where Americans go and fight those battles.

Our country also called it a conflict. Our own President, at that time, referred to it as a police action, but it was neither of those. It was a war. It was a war where Americans went and fought.

I want to tell you about one such action that occurred in the Korean War, Mr. Speaker. You may or may not have ever heard of Hill 303 in South Korea. The Americans, under the control and operation of the 2nd Battalion, 5th Cavalry Regiment of the 1st Cavalry Division, had the high ground on Hill 303. Approaching them were a superior number of North Korean communists coming to take that hill. The Americans were pushed off that hill, except for a small group of Americans who refused to leave.

Company G, a mortar company, and Company H stayed on the hill. Approaching troops—at first the Americans thought that these approaching troops were South Koreans coming to help them. But it turned out, of course, they were North Koreans. But they held their ground anyway, and they were overrun by the North Koreans.

And here's what happened after the Americans retook the hill. As they retook the hill, they found out that those members of Mortar Company G and Company H, those that had been captured, had their hands tied behind

their backs, that they were put in a gully there in South Korea, unknown to anybody, and they were machine-gunned down. Forty of the 45 were murdered. The other five were able to survive, and some escaped.

This weekend, this Nation honored our war dead for all wars. And I want to thank a school in my district, Creekwood Middle School in Kingwood, Texas, for honoring and remembering those 40 Americans that were murdered on Hill 303 in 1950 when the Americans held that ground and were overrun by the North Koreans.

Creekwood Middle School has a history of honoring American history, especially in our wars. They did a history project not too many years ago on World War I. But with this project that they had on Saturday of last weekend, they honored these men, as they should have, that were murdered on Hill 303. They have a memorial there at Creekwood Middle School for them, probably the only memorial in the United States that honors those men at Hill 303 in Korea. There is one in South Korea, however.

One of the people that was present then and also present Monday on Memorial Day at the Houston National Cemetery was Donald Foisie. Donald Foisie, of Atascocita, Texas, is 80 years old. He got the Purple Heart that day because he was able to survive that onslaught of the North Koreans.

At this time, Mr. Speaker, I want to mention the names of the 40 members of the Army that were captured and murdered that day by the North Korean communists.

Pvt Leroy Abbott; Pvt Leo W. Jacques; Pfc Leroy Bone; Pfc Richard Janhnke; Pvt Arthur W. Borst; Pfc Raymond J. Karaiseky; Sgt. Ray A. Briley; Pvt Herbert R. McKenzie; Pfc Benjamin Bristow; Pvt Milton J. Mlaskac.

Pvt Billie J. Causey; Pvt Houston Monfort; Pvt John W. Collins; Pvt Melvin W. Morden; Pvt Johnny K. Dooley; 2Lt Cecil Newman, Jr.; Pvt Cecil C. Edwards; Pvt Robert J.

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